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MEMORANDUM

TO:

DA BUREAUS, ATTACHED AGENCIES AND CORPORATIONS

DA REGIONAL FIELD OFFICES

SUBJECT:

INVITATION TO CLSU-BAR WEBINAR ON "AGRIVOLTAICS: INTEGRATING SOLAR ELECTRICITY WITH AGRICULTURE TO DELIVERY FOOD, ENERGY

AND WATER SECURITY ON THE SAME AREA OF LAND"

With its vision of a technology-empowered agriculture and fisheries sector, the Department of Agriculture-Bureau of Agricultural Research (DA-BAR) is enhancing information and knowledge-sharing among its partners and stakeholders in agriculture and fishery research for development. One of the bureau's strategies is the conduct of the seminar series that provides venue to disseminate and promote R4D generated technologies, trends and directions in the sector, and other relevant information.

In relation to this, the DA-BAR would like to invite officials and staff from your offices to attend in the webinar titled "Agrivoltaics: Integrating Solar Electricity with Agriculture to Delivery, Food, Energy and Water Security on the Same Area of Land" with the speakers Dr. Richard Randle-Boggis, Professor Sue Hartley, and the international consortium from the University of Sheffield. The speakers will introduce Agrivoltaics, discuss the status of existing research about it, and discuss the potential of the technology in the Philippines. Agrivoltaics is defined as the simultaneous use of land for growing crops and generating electricity with photovoltaics panels. This combined solar energy and agricultural system has been launched in Eastern Africa led by a team from The University of Sheffield (UK).

The webinar will be hosted by the Central Luzon State University (CLSU) at Science City of Munoz, Nueva Ecija on 13 October 2022 (Thursday) at 1:00 pm via Zoom Conference. Confirm your attendance on or before October 11, 2022 by registering through this link bit.ly/3e3StjZ. Meeting details will be sent to your email once registered. The webinar will also be livestreamed via DA-BAR Facebook page.

Should you have any concerns or queries regarding the webinar, you may contact Maria Elena Garces or Lea Bañares-Calmada of the DA-BAR's Knowledge Management and Information Systems Division through telephone no. (02) 8920 0227 or email mgarces@bar.gov.ph or lcalmada@bar.gov.ph

Thank you very much and we look forward to your participation to this invitation.

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